

Action Report

CABMW recommendations for the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners Meeting on: March 11, 2021.

Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife

Submitted by Chairman: Steven Robinson

To the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners, c/o Executive Assistant Brandy Arroyo: bdarroyo@ndow.org and Administrative Assistant III Megan Manfredi: mmmanfredi@ndow.org

CABMW Members Present: Steven Robinson, Arnold Pitts, Anthony DoMoe, Jim Rhea; Ray Kabisch

Others: Danny Peltier, Tiffany East, Wade Carner, Mark Ono, Rex Flowers, Cooper Munson, Mel Belding, Russell Wilson.

Commission Agenda Action Items:

1) Agenda item 4: APPROVAL OF October 29, 2020, MINUTES

Recommendation

In Support In Opposition See comment below

Other comments, including a dissenting viewpoint (different than the majority) or issue brought up during discussion:

Recommendation: Adopt as written.

of public signed in/testified for this item: 0

2) Agenda item 7: Commission General Regulation 496, NAC 503 Simplification

Recommendation

In Support In Opposition See comment below

Other comments, including a dissenting viewpoint (different than the majority) or issue brought up during discussion: Concern was stated about the definitions, especially of “suitcase traps” and the clarification of the working (pg 22 of document). Cooper Munson stated that it was a good question for law enforcement. Rex Flowers brought up last month’s meeting notes. Rex also noted that there is no guidance in the NAC as written that tells a trapper who to contact in the state government regarding suitcase trap use and that there are possible jurisdiction issues. Russell Wilson stated in the meeting chat that the intent of the NAC is that any municipality can provide permission. Mel Belding stated that the terminologies used to describe the traps are inaccurate. Mark Ono stated that the trap definition didn’t come from Wildlife Services and is unsure of its origin.

Recommendation: Adopt as written except: 503.165 2e deleted & properly define a suitcase trap.

of public signed in/testified for this item: 4

3) Agenda item 8: Commission Regulation 21-13, 2021-2022 Seasons, Bag Limits and Special Regulations for Migratory Game Birds

Recommendation

In Support In Opposition See comment below

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Other comments, including a dissenting viewpoint (different than the majority) or issue brought up during discussion: Rex Flowers and Russell Wilson spoke to this regulation.

Recommendation: Adopt as written.

of public signed in/testified for this item: 2

4) Agenda item 9: Petition –Mr. Perry ‘Rob’ Pierce –Special Hunt Season for Disabled Persons

Recommendation

In Support _____ In Opposition See comment below _____

Other comments, including a dissenting viewpoint (different than the majority) or issue brought up during discussion: Board members stated that there are already accommodations for disabled persons and that more are not necessary; adding a new season would create unnecessary impacts on other seasons. Rex Flowers commented in agreement.

Recommendation: Deny petition.

of public signed in/testified for this item: 1

5) Agenda item 10: Commission General Regulation 498, NAC 503.147 –Ms. Cathy Smith – Petition Bear Hounds

Recommendation

In Support _____ In Opposition See comment below _____

Other comments, including a dissenting viewpoint (different than the majority) or issue brought up during discussion: Cooper Munson spoke to this and mentioned the improper agenda placement previously. Rex Flowers stated that the petition was accepted in November’s meeting to allow information gathering on the effects of hounding on bear hunting. Rex also clarified that the language of the petition specifically argues against using hounds when black bear hunting and requested that we deny the petition. Mel Belding is also against the petition for the same reasons Rex identified.

Recommendation: Deny petition.

of public signed in/testified for this item: 2, plus the written input distributed prior to the meeting.

6) Agenda item 11: Wildlife Killing Contests –Commissioner McNinch

Recommendation

In Support _____ In Opposition See comment below _____

Other comments, including a dissenting viewpoint (different than the majority) or issue brought up during discussion: Cooper Munson stated the department has no position at this time. Member Kabisch would like to continue current activity as it exists. Member Pitts spoke in support of continuing current activities also. Mel Belding spoke against this as well.

Recommendation: Not consider the banning of wildlife killing contests.

of public signed in/testified for this item: